

Application No. 10/695,477
Amendment "A" dated August 23, 2005
Reply to Office Action mailed June 23, 2005

REMARKS

The present Amendment is in response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed June 23, 2005. Claims 1, 9 and 15 are amended. Claims 1-20 are now pending in view of the above amendments.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in view of the above amendments to the claims and the following remarks. For the Examiner's convenience and reference, Applicant's remarks are presented in the order in which the corresponding issues were raised in the Office Action.

I. Claim Objections

The Examiner objects to claims 1-7, 9-11 and 15-19 based on various informalities. In response, the independent claims 1, 9 and 15 have been amended in accordance with the suggestions made by the Examiner. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

II. Objections to Specification

The Examiner objects to various uses of trademark terms on pages 2 and 8-11. In response, Applicant has amended the terminology so as to more properly indicate the use of trademark terms. Also, it is noted that use of the marks is accompanied by generic terminology.

III. Allowed Subject Matter

The Examiner's allowance of claims 1-20 is appreciated. Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the careful review and allowance of those claims.

The Applicant's submit the following comments concerning the Examiner's statements of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter in the Office Action. Applicant agrees with the Examiner that the claimed invention of claims 1-20 is patentable over the prior art, but respectfully disagrees with the Examiners statement of reasons for allowance as set forth in Office Action. Applicant submits that it is the claim as a whole, rather than any particular limitation, that makes each of the claims allowable. No single limitation should be construed as the reason for allowance of a claim because it is each of the elements of the claim that makes it

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allowable. Therefore, Applicant's do not concede that the reasons for allowable subject matter given by the Examiner are the only reasons that make, or would make, the claims allowable and do not make any admission or concession concerning the Examiner's statement in the Office Action.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe the claims as amended are in allowable form. In the event that the Examiner finds remaining impediment to a prompt allowance of this application that may be clarified through a telephone interview, or which may be overcome by an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

Dated this 23rd day of August, 2005.

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